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Amendment and/or Response  
Reply to Office action of 20 December 2004

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**Title: CONFIRMING THE EXISTENCE OF A COMPLETE DATA SET UNDER  
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**AMENDMENT and/or RESPONSE under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Sir:

In response to the non-final Office action of 20 December 2004, please amend the  
above referenced application as follows and/or reconsider the application in light of the  
following remarks.

**This paper includes (each beginning on a separate sheet):**

- 1. Amendments to the specification;**
- 2. Amendments to and/or listing of the claims; and**
- 3. Remarks / Discussion of issues.**

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